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**PATENT APPLICATION**  
Serial No. 09/253,638  
Atty. Docket No. 1217-990257

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Group Art Unit 1713 :  
In re application of :  
**Keisuke OGURO et al.** :  
Serial No. 09/253,638 :  
Filed February 19, 1999 :  
Examiner - Fred Zitomer :

**PROCESS FOR PRODUCING  
POLYMERIC ACTUATORS**

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Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania  
August 15, 2002

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants request a one-month extension of time in which to respond to the outstanding Office Action. The outstanding Action was mailed on April 16, 2002 and the period set for response was 3 months, bringing the response to be due on July 16, 2002. Therefore, a one-month extension of time will bring the response due on August 16, 2002.

A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed to cover the extension fee. A response to the outstanding Action is filed concurrently herewith.

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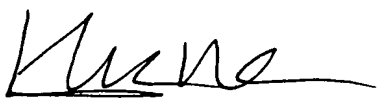
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The Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees which may be required to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. Please refund any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-0650. The original and two copies of this Petition are enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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